

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge the allowance of Claims 9-18. Claims 1, 4, 5, and 8-18 now are being prosecuted herein. Claim 19 has been withdrawn from consideration as directed to a non-elected invention and have been canceled. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of Claims 2 and 3 and Claim 5 has been amended to include the limitations of Claims 6 and 7, with Claims 2, 3, 6 and 7 canceled.

In the Office Action, the specification was objected to because of the extensive use of claim numbers throughout. The specification has been amended to remove these claim references. Also, “deta” at lines 4, 6, 13, 14 and 18 on page 40 of the specification has been amended to correctly read --data--..

Independent Claim 1, as amended, is to an order-receiving production method for a wire including collecting a necessary amount of pellets of synthetic resin for constituting a coating of the wire, a core wire, and an additive to be added into the synthetic resin after receiving an order of the wire, and extruding a mixture of the pellets and the additive onto the circumference of the core wire while simultaneously mixing the pellets and the additive so that the core wire is coated with the mixture, where an outer surface of the wire produced is monochromatic, and where the outer surface of the wire produced is colored with a desired color; thereby producing the wire having a necessary length. Independent Claim 5, as amended, is to an order-receiving production method for a wiring harness including collecting a necessary amount of pellets of synthetic resin for constituting a coating of the wire of the wiring harness, a core wire, and an additive to be added into the synthetic resin

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after receiving an order of the wiring harness, extruding a mixture of the pellets and the additive onto the circumference of the core wire while simultaneously mixing the pellets and the additive so that the core wire is coated with the mixture, where an outer surface of the wire produced is monochromatic and where the outer surface of the wire produced is colored with a desired color, thereby producing the wire having a necessary length, and attaching specific components to the wire produced, thereby assembling the wiring harness.

In the Office Action, Claims 1-8 were rejected as obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) in view of a combination of JP 2002/250859 and Matsuzaki et al. (U.S. 5,357,439), both of these references having been submitted with an IDS on April 27, 2005. Reconsideration and removal of this rejection are respectfully requested in view of the present claim amendments and the following remarks.

The Office Action asserts that JP ‘859 teaches a production method of a wire using the steps of collecting a necessary amount of pellets of synthetic resin for coating of the wire, a core wire, and an additive to be added into the synthetic resin, and extruding a mixture of the pellets and the additive onto the circumference of the core wire while simultaneously mixing the pellets and the additive so that the core wire is coated with the mixture ([0017]). It is admitted that JP ‘859 fails to teach an order-receiving production method of producing the wire having a necessary length after receiving an order of the wire, but cites Matsuzaki et al. as teaching an order-receiving production method of producing the wire having a necessary length after receiving an order of the wire, and alleges it would have been obvious to employ an order-receiving production method of producing the wire having a necessary length after receiving an order of the wire, as taught by Matsuzaki et al.

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on the method of JP '859. It is also asserted that JP '859 teaches the limitations of producing wires in color/monochrome and crosslinked.

Applicants would point out that JP 2002/250859 does not teach or suggest a method as now claimed in independent Claims 1 and 5 where an outer surface of the wire produced is monochromatic and where the outer surface of the wire produced is colored with a desired color and which produces the advantage described. The Matsuzaki et al. reference does not cure the defects of the primary reference. The combination of references does not teach or suggest the method of the claims as now specified.

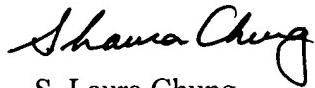
In view of the present amendments to the claims and the above remarks, Claims 1, 4, 5 and 8 are believed to be patentable and in condition for allowance in addition to Claims 9-18, and early action towards allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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